



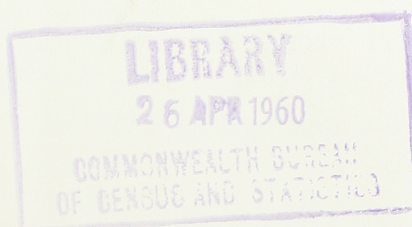
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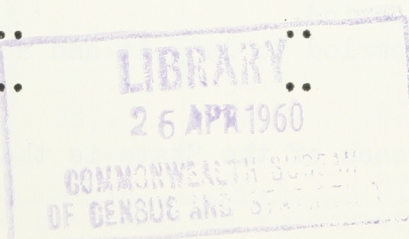
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Period	Marriages	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase (a)	Net Mig- ration(b)	Population	
						Whole State (c)	Metrop- olitan (d)
1949-50	20,048	48,788	22,230	26,558	38,534	2,208,078	1,272,300
1950-51	20,814	50,295	22,436	27,859	40,638	2,276,575	1,302,200
1951-52	20,747	51,757	24,039	27,718	40,198	2,344,491	1,330,800
1952-53	19,302	54,108	22,514	31,594	19,169	2,395,254	1,359,100
1953-54	19,567	53,910	23,054	30,856	26,231	2,452,341	1,388,800
1954-55	19,454	55,497	22,407	33,090	37,587	2,523,018	1,544,500
1955-56	20,378	57,627	22,657	34,970	47,100	2,605,088	1,595,300
1956-57	19,889	59,185	24,355	34,830	33,580	2,673,498	1,677,100
1957-58	21,034	60,136	23,831	36,305	31,594	2,741,397	1,726,100
1958-59	20,293	62,799	25,107	37,692	35,434	2,814,523	1,777,700
1955 -							
March Qr.	4,817	13,934	4,790	9,144	22,129	2,512,150	n.a.
June Qr.	5,046	13,800	5,717	8,083	2,785	2,523,018	n.a.
Sept. Qr.	4,124	14,181	6,687	7,494	15,679	2,546,191	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	6,069	14,421	5,333	9,088	- 258	2,555,021	1,595,300
1956 -							
March Qr.	5,360	14,757	4,867	9,890	23,908	2,588,819	n.a.
June Qr.	4,825	14,268	5,770	8,498	7,771	2,605,088	n.a.
Sept. Qr.	4,368	14,579	7,340	7,239	12,249	2,624,576	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,584	14,789	5,909	8,880	- 833	2,632,623	1,649,000
1957 -							
March Qr.	4,754	15,273	5,378	9,895	17,265	2,659,783	n.a.
June Qr.	5,183	14,544	5,728	8,816	4,899	2,673,498	1,677,100
Sept. Qr.	4,376	14,958	7,157	7,801	9,817	2,691,116	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,926	15,689	5,868	9,821	- 302	2,700,635	n.a.
1958 -							
March Qr.	5,146	15,187	4,949	10,238	15,544	2,726,417	n.a.
June Qr.	5,586	14,302	5,857	8,445	6,535	2,741,397	1,726,100
Sept. Qr.	4,028	15,968	7,019	8,949	5,507	2,755,853	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,889	15,812	5,800	10,012	5,054	2,770,919	n.a.
1959 -							
March Qr.	5,312	14,715	5,609	9,106	16,934	2,796,959	n.a.
June Qr.	5,064	16,304	6,679	9,625	7,939	2,814,523	1,777,700
Sept. Qr.	4,246	15,465	6,860	8,605	6,884	2,830,012	n.a.
Dec. Qr.	5,834	15,761	5,930	9,831	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

(a) Excess of Births over Deaths.

(b) Excess of interstate and oversea arrivals over departures. Interstate migration relates to recorded movements by rail, sea and air and certain special movements by road.

(c) As at end of each period.

(d) At middle of each period to 1955-56 and as at end of each period thereafter.

n.a. : Not available.

**NOTE :** Population increase of the State is the sum of natural increase and net migration.



**WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : VICTORIA**  
(Excluding Rural Workers, Female Private Domestics, and Defence Forces)

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Month	Total Employees			Total Employees in Main Industrial Groups				
	Government (a)	Private Employers	Total	Factories	Building and Con- struction	Trans- port and Comm- unic- ation	Commerce and Finance	Pro- fessional and Personal Services (b)

MALES

1957-June	162.7	423.3	586.0	245.8	50.6	74.9	100.5	56.1
1958-June	166.1	426.8	592.9	248.1	50.8	75.0	103.2	57.0
1959-June	169.3	432.3	601.6	252.3	50.7	75.9	105.0	58.6
1958 -								
Nov.	166.0	429.1	595.1	249.8	49.9	74.6	104.6	57.5
Dec.	166.5	429.9	596.4	249.5	49.9	74.4	105.5	57.9
1959 -								
Jan.	168.3	430.3	598.6	250.2	50.4	75.3	105.3	57.8
Nov.	167.5	439.5	607.0	257.1	49.2	75.6	107.2	59.2
Dec.	167.8	441.9	609.7	257.6	49.3	74.9	109.1	59.7
1960 -								
Jan.	168.2	443.1	611.3	259.3	48.8	75.8	108.1	59.7

FEMALES

1957-June	42.1	198.3	240.4	94.3	1.4	11.4	58.1	65.2
1958-June	43.1	201.4	244.5	94.7	1.5	11.2	60.7	66.3
1959-June	45.2	206.7	251.9	96.7	1.5	11.6	62.2	69.5
1958 -								
Nov.	43.5	203.6	247.1	94.9	1.5	11.4	62.2	66.8
Dec.	43.5	203.1	246.6	94.3	1.5	11.4	62.2	66.9
1959 -								
Jan.	43.8	202.9	246.7	94.4	1.5	11.5	61.8	67.3
Nov.	44.9	213.6	258.5	100.5	1.5	11.8	64.5	69.9
Dec.	44.8	213.9	258.7	100.1	1.6	11.8	64.9	70.0
1960 -								
Jan.	45.2	214.1	259.3	100.8	1.6	11.9	64.3	70.2

PERSONS

1957-June	204.8	621.6	826.4	340.1	52.0	86.3	158.6	121.3
1958-June	209.2	628.2	837.4	342.8	52.3	86.2	163.9	123.3
1959-June	214.5	639.0	853.5	349.0	52.2	87.5	167.2	128.1
1958 -								
Nov.	209.5	632.7	842.2	344.7	51.4	86.0	166.8	124.3
Dec.	210.0	633.0	843.0	343.8	51.4	85.8	167.7	124.8
1959 -								
Jan.	212.1	633.2	845.3	344.6	51.9	86.8	167.1	125.1
Nov.	212.4	653.1	865.5	357.6	50.7	87.4	171.7	129.1
Dec.	212.6	655.8	868.4	357.7	50.9	86.7	174.0	129.7
1960 -								
Jan.	213.4	657.2	870.6	360.1	50.4	87.7	172.4	129.9

(a) Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

(b) Includes education, health, hotels, and restaurants.



BASIC WEEKLY WAGE RATES - ADULT MALES : MELBOURNE

Month of Change	Under Commonwealth Awards	Under Determinations of State Wages Boards
	£. s. d	£. s. d
1950 - May	6.17. 0	6.17. 0
November	7. 3. 0	7. 3. 0
December	8. 2. 0 (a)	8. 2. 0 (a)
1951 - May	8.17. 0	8.17. 0
1952 - May	10.12. 0	10.12. 0
1953 - May	11.12. 0	11.12. 0
August	11.15.0	11.15. 0
November		11.17. 0
1954 - August		11.16. 0
1955 - May		11.17. 0
1956 - May		12.16. 0
June	12. 5. 0 (a)	
August		13. 3. 0
1957 - May	12.15. 0 (a)	
1958 - May	13. 0. 0 (a)	
1959 - June	13.15. 0 (a)	13.15. 0 (a)

(a) Rates declared subsequent to a Commonwealth basic wage enquiry.  
Female rates : Since December, 1950, female rates have been 75% of the corresponding male rates; previously they had varied according to the award or determination under which they were payable.

Note : Up to August, 1953, basic wage rates under Wages Board Determinations generally followed those fixed by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration. In September, 1953, automatic quarterly adjustments of the basic wage were discontinued by the Commonwealth Court, but were continued for State Wages Board determinations until August, 1956.

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (a) : VICTORIA  
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Period	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Year
1952-53	15.33	16.58	14.84	16.09	15.71
1953-54	16.42	17.36	15.86	16.93	16.64
1954-55	17.24	18.04	16.73	18.35	17.59
1955-56	18.30	19.26	17.95	19.61	18.78
1956-57	19.44	20.45	18.78	20.12	19.70
1957-58	19.97	21.27	19.14	20.49	20.22
1958-59	20.68	22.01	19.63	21.27	20.89
1959-60	22.03	23.14			

(a) Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male earnings.

Note : Comparisons of trends should be made for complete years.  
Quarterly averages are affected by seasonal influences.



(Base of each group : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities  
of Australia, 1923-27 = 1,000)

Period	Food and Groceries (a)		Rent	Clothing	Miscell- aneous	All Groups (a)	
1949-50	1,487		977	2,129	1,377	1,484	
1950-51	1,796		979	2,451	1,506	1,693	
1951-52	2,353		982	2,929	1,792	2,050	
1952-53	2,595		985	3,171	2,071	2,243	
1953-54	2,727		993	3,196	2,095	2,302	
1954-55	2,704		1,003	3,205	2,087	2,296	
1955-56	3,017		1,100	3,249	2,220	2,466	
	A	B				A	B
1956-57	3,012	3,172	1,211	3,318	2,356	2,530	2,587
1957-58	3,010	3,007	1,246	3,419	2,398	2,568	2,566
1958-59	3,067	3,077	1,307	3,458	2,549	2,639	2,642
1958 -							
Sept. Qr.	3,019	2,998	1,279	3,457	2,448	2,597	2,588
Dec. Qr.	3,039	3,046	1,298	3,456	2,585	2,634	2,635
1959 -							
March Qr.	3,074	3,114	1,317	3,447	2,584	2,648	2,662
June Qr.	3,135	3,152	1,333	3,471	2,581	2,678	2,684
Sept. Qr.	3,170	3,190	1,361	3,479	2,585	2,700	2,706
Dec. Qr.	3,194	3,222	1,395	3,533	2,589	2,729	2,738

(a) Indexes in Columns "A" exclude, and those in Columns "B" include, potatoes and onions.

INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS : MELBOURNE

(Base of each group : Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Food		Clothing and Drapery	Rent	Other Items	All Groups (a)	
	A	B				A	B
1952-53	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1953-54	103.3	104.6	101.3	100.8	100.9	102.1	102.4
1954-55	104.7	104.3	102.2	102.0	101.3	102.9	102.7
1955-56	109.9	112.9	103.9	111.9	109.6	108.4	109.5
1956-57	114.2	118.6	106.4	123.3	116.4	113.5	115.1
1957-58	114.9	115.1	110.5	127.1	117.7	115.5	115.6
1958-59	116.5	117.0	111.6	133.6	125.9	119.3	119.4
1958 -							
Sept. Qr.	115.3	114.9	111.6	130.5	119.7	116.8	116.7
Dec. Qr.	115.2	115.7	111.6	132.7	127.7	119.2	119.4
1959 -							
March Qr.	116.7	118.0	111.4	134.8	127.8	119.9	120.3
June Qr.	118.7	119.4	111.8	136.3	128.3	121.0	121.3
Sept. Qr.	119.1	119.9	112.1	139.5	128.7	121.6	121.9
Dec. Qr.	119.1	120.2	113.5	143.1	129.6	122.6	122.9

(a) Indexes in columns "A" exclude, and those in columns "B" include, potatoes and onions.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS  
NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BENEFITS AND AMOUNTS PAID IN BENEFITS : VICTORIA

Period	Number on Benefit (a)			Amount Paid in Benefits During Period			
	Unemploy- ment	Sickness	Special (b)	Unemploy- ment	Sickness	Special	
						Ordinary	Migrants (c)
				£	£	£	£
1949-50	128	3,330	342	6,667	217,782	141,277	
1950-51	71	1,801	233	7,731	197,719	19,586	78,943
1951-52	220	1,621	262	11,215	181,117	23,856	22,752
1952-53	6,168	1,732	358	923,732	370,354	58,344	82,222
1953-54	2,698	1,987	458	507,676	405,414	78,420	48,552
1954-55	538	1,991	544	99,305	387,452	80,358	41,845
1955-56	479	1,684	528	74,664	345,171	83,878	43,559
1956-57	3,349	1,607	525	530,959	339,414	84,630	70,496
1957-58	5,127	1,604	557	1,011,800	406,032	106,158	115,576
1958-59	5,743	1,871	627	1,224,299	508,980	126,441	60,556
1956 -							
Sept.	2,949	1,710	507	40,304	28,895	4,746	4,456
Oct.	3,067	1,681	527	42,176	31,833	6,598	1,513
Nov.	3,085	1,625	521	40,521	22,795	6,176	1,385
Dec.	3,593	1,560	510	32,559	24,337	5,292	3,660
1957 -							
Jan.	3,493	1,494	503	69,858	37,800	9,875	2,732
Feb.	2,677	1,576	528	44,734	25,082	9,425	4,443
Sept.	5,271	1,655	541	81,852	26,663	7,183	11,836
Oct.	4,661	1,641	551	80,829	26,081	6,125	12,420
Nov.	4,390	1,600	536	83,208	38,474	9,122	8,960
Dec.	4,695	1,526	553	65,058	28,415	8,116	11,826
1958 -							
Jan.	4,974	1,500	550	99,557	41,223	9,912	11,025
Feb.	4,085	1,590	555	102,353	37,721	10,289	15,685
Sept.	6,735	2,009	604	112,751	37,411	9,295	822
Oct.	5,656	1,946	615	117,628	45,529	11,154	3,729
Nov.	4,916	1,942	614	104,760	41,219	10,563	621
Dec.	5,436	1,842	594	75,468	37,956	11,125	4,850
1959 -							
Jan.	5,389	1,685	604	85,036	42,571	8,651	9,089
Feb.	4,572	1,707	611	96,952	33,329	7,575	7,899
Sept.	5,281	2,127	730	104,224	46,351	14,040	1,055
Oct.	4,302	2,131	747	98,879	48,976	11,622	1,820
Nov.	3,727	2,194	744	67,438	45,652	14,498	503
Dec.	4,044	2,131	731	48,761	33,780	9,931	2,586
1960 -							
Jan.	3,946	2,027	726	80,029	47,007	9,845	5,230
Feb.	3,263	2,022	767	62,161	43,646	14,732	4,914

(a) Average of monthly figures for financial years and thereafter on benefit on last Saturday of month.

(b) Excludes migrants in reception and training centres.

(c) In reception and training centres.



Period	Number of Disputes	Workers Involved			Working Days Lost	Estimated Loss in Wages £'000
		Directly	Indirectly (b)	Total		
1949-50	24	40,305	5,055	45,360	229,922	497
1950-51	33	42,985	9,771	52,756	1,027,941	2,003
1951-52	37	61,023	54	61,077	108,300	288
1952-53	40	22,123	3,173	25,296	42,153	144
1953-54	71	81,546	745	82,291	95,062	311
1954-55	81	34,219	3,534	37,753	122,480	407
1955-56	50	33,997	1,876	35,873	192,352	643
1956-57	46	20,267	1,015	21,282	20,262	65
1957-58	65	44,701	548	45,249	83,105	287
1958-59	56	15,307	1,172	16,479	42,118	146
1955 -						
March Qr.	25	8,539	824	9,363	21,339	63
June Qr.	21	12,546	1,014	13,560	20,475	65
Sept. Qr.	9	3,888	265	4,153	78,338	240
Dec. Qr.	11	8,282	184	8,466	18,355	68
1956 -						
March Qr.	23	16,540	1,317	17,857	85,545	302
June Qr.	7	5,287	110	5,397	10,114	33
Sept. Qr.	16	10,539	48	10,587	8,552	30
Dec. Qr.	8	3,228	808	4,036	7,454	21
1957 -						
March Qr.	13	5,077	-	5,077	1,716	6
June Qr.	9	1,423	159	1,582	2,540	8
Sept. Qr.	10	1,335	95	1,430	4,584	16
Dec. Qr.	15	893	199	1,092	4,604	16
1958 -						
March Qr.	21	20,129	179	20,308	51,136	174
June Qr.	19	22,344	75	22,419	22,781	81
Sept. Qr.	13	1,139	71	1,210	16,866	54
Dec. Qr.	13	1,982	799	2,781	9,072	30
1959 -						
March Qr.	22	6,810	283	7,093	10,641	39
June Qr.	8	5,376	19	5,395	5,539	23
Sept. Qr.	11	11,396	6	11,402	2,982	10
Dec. Qr.	19	7,552	799	8,351	16,728	60

(a) Refers only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more

(b) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppage occurred, but who were not themselves parties to the dispute.

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**MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS : VICTORIA**  
**SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)**

Period	Elec- tricity	Gas	Sul- phuric Acid	Super- phos- phate	Electric Motors	Motor Bodies	Foot- wear (b)	Brown Coal
	mill. kWh.	mill. cu.ft.	'000 tons	'000 tons	No.	No.	'000 prs.	'000 tons
1949-50	2,706	10,747	238.0	624.8	76,723	40,363	12,282	7,367
1950-51	2,876	11,446	242.0	615.1	94,490	48,736	13,349	7,300
1951-52	2,964	12,525	242.8	633.0	113,610	49,667	12,443	8,096
1952-53	3,193	13,136	220.4	571.3	102,857	38,069	11,689	8,075
1953-54	3,693	13,715	252.9	659.5	160,219	63,019	13,873	8,731
1954-55	4,151	14,290	275.1	722.9	168,079	66,056	13,724	9,668
1955-56	4,647	14,461	296.3	760.2	175,313	83,213	14,379	10,383
1956-57	4,991	15,746	269.2	642.9	188,309	64,159	15,231	10,772
1957-58	5,250	16,684	314.6	773.9	213,046	90,495	16,199	10,859
1958-59	5,640	17,860	306.3	775.2	248,191	101,721	18,248	12,337
1957 -								
Aug.	481	1,605	28.9	68.6	16,717	6,980	1,372	972
Sept.	437	1,550	19.7	46.4	17,477	7,435	1,395	907
Oct.	448	1,448	(c)	41.2	19,764	8,597	1,522	917
Nov.	413	1,288	24.0	50.7	21,119	8,456	1,502	876
Dec.	378	1,191	22.9	55.0	17,763	6,151	1,098	749
1958 -								
Jan.	378	1,138	23.7	58.0	14,705	6,365	888	851
Aug.	519	1,785	29.3	67.5	16,191	7,719	1,711	1,060
Sept.	475	1,624	23.5	57.6	18,918	7,926	1,727	1,061
Oct.	474	1,546	18.2	48.7	23,157	9,017	1,733	1,032
Nov.	427	1,335	19.6	43.1	22,017	8,267	1,503	998
Dec.	418	1,291	18.3	48.3	19,616	7,419	1,298	925
1959 -								
Jan.	399	1,085	24.5	56.1	14,475	5,727	849	900
Aug.	563	1,791	22.3	53.4	22,364	10,153	1,834	1,209
Sept.	537	1,636	22.6	67.2	24,947	11,243	2,030	1,150
Oct.	516	1,574	21.4	57.5	23,598	10,527	1,955	1,162
Nov.	462	1,320	19.6	41.4	24,461	10,494	1,948	1,123
Dec.	443	1,269	r28.0	76.2	23,442	8,893	1,572	r1,015
1960 -								
Jan.	429	1,089	29.2	72.1	15,646	7,069	970	1,062

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin which is obtainable free of charge on application to the Bureau.

(b) Excludes rubber.

(c) Not available for publication.

r: Revised.



## MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS : VICTORIA

9.

## SELECTED LIST OF COMMODITIES (a)

Period	Clay Bricks	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Sawn Native Timber	Roofing Tiles	Beer (b)	Butter (c)	Flour (Wheaten)	Meat (d)
	mill.	'000 sq. yds.	mill. sup. ft.	mill.	mill. galls.	'000 tons	'000 short tons	'000 tons
1949-50	146.9	6,050	308.8	31.42	49.35	62.99	447.8	292.8
1950-51	178.6	6,606	329.6	35.02	52.90	57.98	448.8	258.0
1951-52	185.2	7,317	348.5	35.63	56.17	59.24	559.2	267.1
1952-53	164.6	6,754	322.2	32.31	57.88	57.32	591.4	294.7
1953-54	198.5	6,665	339.0	32.65	63.63	63.61	473.8	292.5
1954-55	209.2	7,343	362.3	35.80	68.09	79.51	452.5	320.4
1955-56	225.5	8,069	351.3	39.36	71.59	90.67	451.5	306.8
1956-57	208.1	7,431	342.3	34.01	67.61	88.60	450.8	311.4
1957-58	236.4	7,621	346.4	34.55	69.34	86.18	470.8	374.1
1958-59	257.4	8,286	338.0	37.69	70.26	88.13	436.8	395.0
1957 -								
Aug.	20.6	652	31.4	3.00	4.92	5.98	45.0	24.93
Sept.	19.2	642	29.6	2.63	6.17	9.40	40.5	27.77
Oct.	21.6	715	31.1	3.04	6.23	12.43	46.3	34.66
Nov.	20.6	662	29.6	2.97	6.34	13.32	50.5	37.33
Dec.	16.6	499	22.5	2.16	6.92	12.40	42.4	36.22
1958 -								
Jan.	16.2	490	21.2	2.22	6.81	9.66	39.6	33.52
Aug.	22.1	713	28.7	3.26	5.35	5.37	42.1	25.95
Sept.	22.3	749	29.5	3.32	5.71	9.04	40.0	27.04
Oct.	23.3	769	30.4	3.80	6.33	12.56	36.8	36.49
Nov.	20.9	721	28.8	3.39	6.42	12.94	37.7	39.66
Dec.	20.0	597	24.2	2.76	7.77	12.82	31.1	43.12
1959 -								
Jan.	16.7	487	18.1	2.14	6.40	9.45	30.9	35.08
Aug.	23.0	701	29.0	3.17	5.58	6.12	38.0	27.30
Sept.	24.8	713	30.8	3.37	6.32	10.15	54.6	32.09
Oct.	25.3	742	30.5	3.18	6.63	13.37	38.7	39.09
Nov.	23.1	706	29.8	3.04	7.27	13.75	37.8	40.73
Dec.	21.5	584	n.a.	2.51	8.18	12.55	32.7	41.76
1960 -								
Jan.	19.0	498	n.a.	2.02	7.52	9.92	33.3	36.11

(a) Particulars of production of other commodities appear in the Victorian Monthly Production Bulletin which is obtainable free of charge on application to the Bureau.

(b) From 1956-57 onwards represents quantity produced (incl. waste) as recorded by Department of Customs and Excise.

(c) Factory production only.

(d) Bone-in weight.

n.a. : Not available.

## NEW HOUSES AND FLATS - NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS : VICTORIA

Period	Houses (Dwelling Units)				Flats (Dwelling Units)			
	Approved (a)	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Under Con- struction (b)	Approved (a)	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Under Con- struction (b)
1949-50	(c)	19,643	15,611	21,553	(c)	328	246	725
1950-51	(c)	26,949	21,194	27,308	(c)	473	333	865
1951-52	(c)	23,506	24,088	26,726	(c)	432	416	881
1952-53	(c)	16,254	21,284	21,675	(c)	490	692	685
1953-54	20,963	20,915	21,593	20,995	872	739	689	735
1954-55	23,000	23,674	23,839	19,827	1,157	1,183	781	1,137
1955-56	21,801	21,245	22,652	18,399	776	715	1,273	579
1956-57	19,868	19,649	20,185	17,863	1,259	1,110	897	792
1957-58	22,719	21,933	21,367	18,429	1,380	1,283	1,104	971
1958-59	22,826	22,443	24,329	16,543	1,884	1,826	1,434	1,363
1955 -								
March Qr.	5,224	5,447	5,526	20,324	353	362	152	932
June Qr.	5,665	5,593	6,090	19,827	126	392	187	1,137
Sept. Qr.	5,723	5,529	5,679	19,677	177	165	244	1,058
Dec. Qr.	5,811	5,230	6,341	18,566	265	160	276	942
1956 -								
March Qr.	5,203	5,584	5,298	18,844	110	146	320	768
June Qr.	5,064	4,902	5,334	18,399	224	244	433	579
Sept. Qr.	4,473	4,843	5,470	17,772	228	121	174	526
Dec. Qr.	4,820	4,812	5,346	17,238	137	263	181	608
1957 -								
March Qr.	5,133	4,923	4,480	17,681	412	280	169	719
June Qr.	5,172	5,071	4,889	17,863	482	446	373	792
Sept. Qr.	5,583	5,153	4,813	18,203	380	327	306	813
Dec. Qr.	5,631	5,133	5,798	17,538	331	259	303	769
1958 -								
March Qr.	5,641	5,732	5,084	18,186	308	323	205	887
June Qr.	5,864	5,915	5,672	18,429	361	374	290	971
Sept. Qr.	6,382	6,089	6,022	18,496	453	355	364	962
Dec. Qr.	5,935	5,428	6,669	17,255	528	321	407	876
1959 -								
March Qr.	4,707	5,438	5,553	17,140	298	526	329	1,073
June Qr.	5,802	5,488	6,085	16,543	605	624	334	1,363
Sept. Qr.	6,077	5,558	5,856	16,245	806	542	415	1,490
Dec. Qr.	6,087	5,878	6,503	15,620	778	771	616	1,645

(a) Approvals comprise permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let or day labour work commenced by government authorities.

(b) As at end of period.

(c) Not available.



VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS : VICTORIA  
(£'000)

11.

Period	Houses & Flats	Shops	Fac- tories	Business Premises	Educa- tion	Health	Other	Total
<u>COMMENCED</u>								
1955-56	67,678	3,607	19,415	15,052	5,011	3,169	7,484	121,416
1956-57	65,716	2,820	13,258	10,229	5,816	3,807	7,688	109,334
1957-58	75,620	3,661	16,013	10,893	4,207	5,320	6,419	122,133
1958-59	78,887	6,036	16,599	14,518	5,314	2,157	8,096	131,607
1958 -								
March Qr.	19,552	883	3,555	3,440	1,113	3,977	1,762	34,282
June Qr.	20,548	1,194	6,579	2,805	1,176	792	1,854	34,948
Sept. Qr.	21,021	1,438	3,256	5,403	1,867	462	1,646	35,093
Dec. Qr.	18,373	1,311	2,777	2,222	1,084	343	2,692	28,802
1959 -								
March Qr.	19,353	1,111	5,755	2,034	1,073	637	1,848	31,811
June Qr.	20,140	2,176	4,811	4,859	1,290	715	1,910	35,901
Sept. Qr.	20,456	2,482	4,624	4,529	2,292	969	2,240	37,592
Dec. Qr.	21,851	1,297	3,124	4,967	1,992	201	1,732	35,164
<u>COMPLETED</u>								
1955-56	71,362	3,993	18,640	5,782	4,592	2,004	5,221	111,594
1956-57	68,111	3,364	17,416	9,787	4,826	3,385	7,941	114,830
1957-58	73,196	3,666	19,219	14,391	7,600	6,753	6,931	131,756
1958-59	84,772	4,761	16,096	13,920	4,495	3,993	9,400	137,437
1958 -								
March Qr.	17,259	667	3,941	4,195	2,262	1,233	1,913	31,470
June Qr.	19,403	923	3,814	3,231	1,794	4,037	1,706	34,908
Sept. Qr.	21,016	1,070	3,701	1,822	607	858	1,890	30,964
Dec. Qr.	23,148	1,576	3,777	6,347	1,009	1,692	2,091	39,640
1959 -								
March Qr.	19,377	1,104	3,670	1,736	1,633	666	2,589	30,775
June Qr.	21,231	1,011	4,948	4,015	1,246	777	2,830	36,058
Sept. Qr.	20,752	1,137	5,076	3,627	1,303	439	3,310	35,644
Dec. Qr.	23,422	1,474	6,031	3,978	789	1,503	2,934	40,131
<u>UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD</u>								
1955-56	56,032	2,501	26,561	16,111	5,262	11,861	10,197	128,525
1956-57	55,717	2,081	23,458	16,945	6,296	13,080	10,366	127,943
1957-58	59,871	2,114	21,147	13,798	3,126	12,597	10,097	122,750
1958-59	55,658	3,434	22,011	14,791	4,071	11,269	8,945	120,179
1958 -								
March Qr.	58,342	1,827	18,231	14,145	3,759	15,556	9,924	121,784
June Qr.	59,871	2,114	21,147	13,798	3,126	12,597	10,097	122,750
Sept. Qr.	60,299	2,500	20,935	17,585	4,393	12,477	9,905	128,094
Dec. Qr.	55,967	2,266	19,978	13,533	4,483	11,329	10,579	118,135
1959 -								
March Qr.	56,391	2,261	22,090	13,869	3,935	11,297	9,847	119,690
June Qr.	55,658	3,434	22,011	14,791	4,071	11,269	8,945	120,179
Sept. Qr.	55,682	4,834	21,580	15,610	5,099	11,810	7,878	122,493
Dec. Qr.	54,518	4,675	18,705	16,660	6,312	10,541	6,699	118,110

## STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND (a) : VICTORIA

REVENUE(£'000)

Item	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60 (Estimate)	July - February		
				1957-58	1958-59	1959-60
Taxation	28,523	30,504	35,480	16,309	16,334	19,850
Railways	35,948	38,142	38,258	23,738	24,613	25,096
State Coal Mines	472	409	378	313	247	242
Territorial	2,373	2,452	2,471	1,269	1,364	1,641
Interest	7,687	8,420	9,206	1,759	1,707	2,061
Commonwealth Grants -						
Financial Agreement	2,127	2,127	2,127	1,418	1,418	1,418
Tax Reimbursement	51,467	54,582	60,625	26,880	29,120	32,334
All Other Revenue	13,740	14,614	15,348	6,035	6,343	6,910
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>142,337</b>	<b>151,250</b>	<b>163,893</b>	<b>77,721</b>	<b>81,146</b>	<b>89,552</b>

EXPENDITURE(£'000)

Interest, Exchange, etc. (b)	19,746	21,532	24,168	11,146	12,533	14,736
Sinking Fund Contribution	4,170	4,689	5,173	2,776	3,181	3,424
Railways	36,639	36,426	37,436	24,677	23,953	24,789
State Coal Mines	773	648	635	460	394	349
Pensions, etc.	3,792	4,092	4,277	1,949	2,153	2,340
Law and Order	9,298	9,766	10,213	)	( 6,308	6,343
Education	28,362	31,037	34,271	)	( 19,332	21,666
Health	19,761	21,075	22,905	) 47,894	( 13,740	14,963
Other Social	2,444	2,847	3,122	)	( 1,550	1,518
All Other Expenditure	20,566	21,684	22,893	)	( 10,978	11,346
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>145,551</b>	<b>153,796</b>	<b>165,093</b>	<b>88,902</b>	<b>94,122</b>	<b>101,474</b>

(a) Tables on this page have been prepared from information published in the Annual Budget Papers and from the monthly statements issued by the State Treasury.

(b) Excluding interest paid on loans received from the Commonwealth Government for Housing and Soldier Settlement. These amounts are included with "All Other Expenditure".



MORTGAGES OF REAL ESTATE LODGED FOR REGISTRATION : VICTORIA  
(Lodged under Transfer of Land Acts and Property Law Act)

13.

Period	Mortgages of Real Estate -					
	Under £5,000		£5,000 and over		Total (a)	
	No.	Amount £'000	No.	Amount £'000	No.	Amount £'000
1955-56	32,665	54,545	1,491	25,975	34,156	80,520
1956-57	31,655	56,592	1,563	22,967	33,218	79,559
1957-58	34,181	62,935	1,913	26,989	36,094	89,924
1958-59	37,471	73,285	2,460	32,375	39,931	105,660
1958 -						
Aug.	3,463	6,622	200	2,344	3,663	8,966
Sept.	3,488	6,699	191	2,769	3,679	9,468
Oct.	3,736	7,370	212	2,968	3,948	10,338
Nov.	2,934	5,649	247	2,377	3,181	8,026
Dec.	3,260	6,202	242	3,110	3,502	9,312
1959 -						
Jan.	2,193	4,216	177	2,342	2,370	6,558
Aug.	3,265	6,581	226	3,435	3,491	10,016
Sept.	3,210	6,551	177	2,351	3,387	8,902
Oct.	3,517	7,307	289	4,682	3,806	11,989
Nov.	3,235	6,561	237	4,156	3,472	10,717
Dec.	3,101	6,369	233	3,509	3,334	9,878
1960 -						
Jan.	2,433	4,980	210	3,609	2,643	8,589

MORTGAGES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO TYPES OF MORTGAGEES : VICTORIA  
£'000

Period	Types of Mortgagees -					
	Banks(a)	Co-operative Housing Societies	Insurance Companies	Commonwealth and State Government Institutions	Others	Total (a)
1955-56	16,115	5,797	16,701	9,906	32,001	80,520
1956-57	8,371	8,671	16,061	11,447	35,009	79,559
1957-58	12,050	7,790	18,565	15,337	36,182	89,924
1958-59	17,210	8,063	16,636	12,603	51,148	105,660
1958 -						
Aug.	1,843	877	1,198	1,162	3,886	8,966
Sept.	1,680	625	1,420	1,385	4,358	9,468
Oct.	1,700	852	1,825	1,420	4,541	10,338
Nov.	1,355	577	1,595	951	3,548	8,026
Dec.	1,539	650	1,444	855	4,824	9,312
1959 -						
Jan.	711	432	1,317	912	3,186	6,558
Aug.	1,244	773	1,173	1,105	5,721	10,016
Sept.	1,258	674	913	1,556	4,501	8,902
Oct.	1,510	913	2,018	1,236	6,312	11,989
Nov.	1,543	669	1,819	954	5,732	10,717
Dec.	1,674	610	2,347	606	4,641	9,878
1960 -						
Jan.	1,265	416	1,725	840	4,343	8,589

(a) Excluding mortgages to Trading Banks to secure overdrafts on current accounts.

## CHEQUE PAYING BANKS (a) - AVERAGE DEPOSITS AND ADVANCES : VICTORIA

Period	DEPOSITS			Advances	Ratio of Advances to Total Deposits
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total		
			£'000		%
1949-50	229,042	80,385	309,427	155,550	50.27
1950-51	310,069	98,050	408,119	179,967	44.10
1951-52	329,228	94,332	423,560	228,971	54.06
1952-53	321,396	83,297	404,693	224,091	55.37
1953-54	353,742	90,784	444,526	218,046	49.05
1954-55	367,752	105,717	473,469	249,129	52.62
1955-56	370,587	104,128	474,715	262,672	55.33
1956-57	365,878	111,249	477,127	246,724	51.71
1957-58	375,730	128,772	504,502	251,302	49.81
1958-59	371,873	143,598	515,471	262,590	50.94
1958 -					
Oct.	364,741	141,303	506,044	271,716	53.69
Nov.	374,158	144,459	518,617	265,153	51.13
Dec.	382,845	142,649	525,494	259,167	49.32
1959 -					
Jan.	371,899	147,627	519,526	258,313	49.72
Oct.	379,926	159,437	539,363	263,213	48.80
Nov.	393,946	159,590	553,536	263,596	47.62
Dec.	415,210	145,662	560,872	261,185	46.57
1960 -					
Jan.	403,209	144,253	547,462	260,831	47.64

(a) Banks specified in the Banking Act, 1959 (Banking Act 1945-53 prior to 14th January 1960), and the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a) - DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS : VICTORIA  
(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at City Branches)  
Weekly Averages (£ million)

Period	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60
July	138.0	161.0	183.8	185.0	204.6	219.7	251.2
August	124.7	156.5	167.3	165.1	184.0	194.9	228.6
September	131.2	168.6	169.3	183.5	196.6	206.9	247.6
October	140.6	178.0	183.8	192.3	210.5	224.4	262.7
November	146.9	170.4	196.1	194.3	212.5	225.6	262.3
December	174.6	184.4	205.2	202.8	242.8	253.4	296.0
January	146.3	165.9	172.2	188.0	173.5	176.8	227.4
February	156.5	188.8	184.0	206.2	201.9	244.6	
March	180.4	187.0	191.1	207.1	212.5	235.0	
April	165.1	174.6	190.2	210.4	216.5	223.0	
May	177.3	191.7	199.2	214.6	218.2	247.1	
June	171.7	182.3	181.0	201.7	216.9	240.1	

(a) Includes all cheque-paying Banks and, in addition, the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank (prior to 14th January, 1960 Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments of the Commonwealth Bank).



## SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNTS AND DEPOSITORS' BALANCES (a) : VICTORIA

15.

Period	Number of Operative Accounts— All Savings Banks (b)	DEPOSITORS' BALANCES				
		State Savings Bank	Commonwealth Savings Bank	Other Savings Banks	All Savings Banks	Per Head of Population
	'000	£'000				£
1949-50	1,910	198,680	58,441	—	257,121	116.4
1950-51	1,981	213,687	68,092	—	281,779	123.8
1951-52	2,038	224,347	76,485	—	300,832	128.3
1952-53	2,080	234,834	85,137	—	319,971	133.6
1953-54	2,119	245,607	94,174	—	339,781	138.6
1954-55	2,154	260,151	104,597	—	364,748	144.6
1955-56	2,234	264,317	110,215	11,644	386,176	148.2
1956-57	2,320	266,276	114,542	30,751	411,569	153.9
1957-58	2,437	272,807	117,805	43,019	433,631	158.2
1958-59	2,565	281,296	122,577	54,581	458,454	163.9
1956 -						
Aug.	2,224	264,583	111,155	16,958	392,696	150.7
Sept.	2,234	265,667	111,956	18,670	396,293	152.1
Oct.	2,245	265,678	112,412	20,863	398,953	153.1
Nov.	2,251	266,590	112,879	22,166	401,635	154.2
Dec.	2,256	264,203	112,671	23,560	400,434	152.6
1957 -						
Jan.	2,271	263,323	112,284	24,774	400,381	152.6
Aug.	2,315	267,834	115,505	33,569	416,908	156.7
Sept.	2,323	267,647	115,852	34,508	418,007	156.4
Oct.	2,333	269,243	116,716	36,054	422,013	157.9
Nov.	2,342	269,549	116,604	37,026	423,179	158.3
Dec.	2,347	268,080	116,462	38,476	423,018	157.2
1958 -						
Jan.	2,361	267,777	116,256	39,262	423,295	157.3
Aug.	2,444	273,989	118,528	44,627	437,144	160.3
Sept.	2,457	274,826	119,075	45,196	439,097	160.4
Oct.	2,469	275,857	118,822	46,073	440,752	161.0
Nov.	2,478	277,022	118,912	47,049	442,983	161.6
Dec.	2,482	276,224	119,132	48,559	443,915	161.9
1959 -						
Jan.	2,498	275,204	118,965	49,434	443,603	161.0
Aug.	2,560	285,379	124,383	57,542	467,304	166.0
Sept.	2,573	288,732	125,759	59,412	473,903	168.4
Oct.	2,586	290,542	126,803	60,706	478,051	169.9
Nov.	2,595	291,454	127,286	61,842	480,582	170.8
Dec.	2,601	290,002	127,204	63,198	480,404	169.8
1960 -						
Jan.	2,619	289,705	126,998	64,025	480,728	169.9

(a) At end of period.

(b) Excluding School Bank Accounts.

## RETAIL HIRE PURCHASE OPERATIONS OF FINANCE BUSINESSES (a) : VICTORIA

Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods(b)	Amount Financed(c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed(c) (Per cent)	Balances Outstanding at end of Each Period (£'000)(d)
		(£'000)	Total (£'000)	Average per Agreement (£)		

## MOTOR VEHICLES, TRACTORS, ETC.

1956-57	82,081	59,287	37,192	453	62.7	(e)
1957-58	94,426	69,120	43,427	460	62.8	
1958-59	104,051	78,358	49,477	476	63.1	
1958 -						
July	8,303	6,224	3,853	464	61.9	
Aug.	7,828	5,670	3,507	448	61.9	
Sept.	9,251	6,833	4,259	460	62.3	
Oct.	9,939	7,429	4,658	469	62.7	
Nov.	9,267	6,928	4,355	470	62.9	
Dec.	9,992	7,848	5,001	501	63.7	
1959 -						
July	8,320	6,327	4,125	496	65.2	
Aug.	9,525	7,170	4,656	489	64.9	
Sept.	10,431	7,958	5,138	493	64.6	
Oct.	11,876	9,140	5,976	503	65.4	
Nov.	11,504	9,498	6,242	543	65.7	
Dec.	12,021	9,935	6,526	543	65.7	

## PLANT AND MACHINERY

1956-57	5,529	3,739	2,370	429	63.4	(e)
1957-58	5,500	3,971	2,495	454	62.8	
1958-59	9,094	5,605	3,586	394	64.0	
1958 -						
July	599	415	266	444	64.1	
Aug.	555	327	207	373	63.3	
Sept.	690	424	271	393	63.9	
Oct.	832	505	325	391	64.4	
Nov.	934	619	392	420	63.3	
Dec.	987	779	503	510	64.6	
1959 -						
July	609	392	251	412	64.0	
Aug.	767	508	340	443	66.9	
Sept.	701	499	327	466	65.5	
Oct.	898	485	322	359	66.4	
Nov.	914	637	420	460	65.9	
Dec.	1,006	793	545	542	68.7	

(a) The statistics on this and the following page, relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves.

(b) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).

(c) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

(d) Includes hiring charges and insurance.

(e) Separate details are not available. See page 17 for total balances outstanding.



Period	Number of Agreements Made	Total Value of Goods (b) (£'000)	Amount Financed(c)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed(c) (Per cent)	Balances Outstanding at End of Each Period (£'000)(d)
			Total (£'000)	Average per Agreement (£)		
HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS						
1956-57	158,529	15,048	12,111	76	80.5	(e)
1957-58	197,535	26,341	21,438	109	81.4	
1958-59	183,455	22,902	18,747	102	81.9	
1958 -						
July	15,967	2,319	1,909	120	82.3	
Aug.	15,387	2,183	1,805	117	82.7	
Sept.	16,620	2,268	1,856	112	81.8	
Oct.	17,579	2,234	1,812	103	81.1	
Nov.	15,945	1,919	1,560	98	81.3	
Dec.	17,819	1,910	1,571	88	82.3	
1959 -						
July	13,032	1,611	1,317	101	81.8	
Aug.	13,039	1,537	1,250	96	81.3	
Sept.	15,923	1,754	1,412	89	80.5	
Oct.	16,123	1,738	1,427	89	82.1	
Nov.	16,373	1,686	1,381	84	81.9	
Dec.	19,031	1,981	1,610	85	81.3	

## TOTAL (ALL GOODS)

1956-57	246,139	78,074	51,673	210	66.2	64,445
1957-58	297,461	99,432	67,360	226	67.7	85,020
1958-59	296,600	106,865	71,810	242	67.2	100,359
1958 -						
July	24,869	8,958	6,028	242	67.3	86,524
Aug.	23,770	8,180	5,519	232	67.5	87,797
Sept.	26,561	9,525	6,386	240	67.0	89,915
Oct.	28,350	10,168	6,795	240	66.8	91,914
Nov.	26,146	9,466	6,307	241	66.6	94,219
Dec.	28,798	10,537	7,075	246	67.1	96,558
1959 -						
July	21,961	8,330	5,693	259	68.3	100,402
Aug.	23,331	9,215	6,246	268	67.8	101,641
Sept.	27,055	10,211	6,877	254	67.3	103,660
Oct.	28,897	11,363	7,725	267	68.0	106,407
Nov.	28,791	11,821	8,043	279	68.0	109,430
Dec.	32,058	12,709	8,681	271	68.3	113,019

(a) The statistics on this page relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves.

(b) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).

(c) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

(d) Includes hiring charges and insurance.

(e) Separate details not available. See Total (All Goods) for total balances outstanding.

Period	Food-stuffs (a)	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, and Foot- wear	Hard- ware (b)	Elec- trical Goods (c)	Other Goods (d)	Total (Excl. Motor Vehicles etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc. (e)
1949-50	100.7	28.3	76.1	17.8	12.3	80.1	315.3	77.3
1950-51	119.0	33.6	93.0	25.7	17.7	100.2	389.2	103.2
1951-52	145.7	41.9	99.7	29.4	21.8	116.2	454.7	117.0
1952-53	163.4	45.6	100.2	30.3	20.9	115.7	476.1	108.7
1953-54	173.3	50.1	112.5	33.1	23.9	121.6	514.5	124.5
1954-55	195.8	53.8	116.5	37.0	26.8	130.5	560.4	146.0
1955-56	212.2	59.0	121.8	39.1	30.0	144.9	607.0	164.3
1956-57	226.5	63.5	127.1	40.3	35.3	151.7	644.4	167.2
1957-58	231.1	65.7	133.8	41.4	43.1	154.8	669.9	187.9
1958-59	245.6	68.1	139.6	45.3	50.0	160.3	708.9	198.1
1955 -								
March Qr.	48.6	14.7	24.7	8.8	6.4	31.9	135.1	33.6
June Qr.	49.1	13.4	31.5	9.1	6.1	32.9	142.1	39.4
Sept. Qr.	51.2	13.4	28.4	9.5	7.1	34.8	144.4	41.0
Dec. Qr.	54.3	16.0	35.4	11.0	9.3	42.0	168.0	43.0
1956 -								
March Qr.	53.6	15.7	25.4	9.4	6.8	33.4	144.3	39.8
June Qr.	53.1	13.9	32.6	9.2	6.8	34.7	150.3	40.5
Sept. Qr.	55.0	14.0	29.0	9.6	6.9	36.6	151.1	41.5
Dec. Qr.	59.6	17.7	37.2	11.2	11.1	43.3	180.1	43.8
1957 -								
March Qr.	56.2	16.6	27.3	9.7	8.0	35.5	153.3	39.1
June Qr.	55.7	15.2	33.6	9.8	9.3	36.3	159.9	42.8
Sept. Qr.	56.3	14.9	30.8	9.9	9.7	36.9	158.5	43.0
Dec. Qr.	59.7	18.0	38.7	11.9	12.0	44.8	185.1	49.9
1958 -								
March Qr.	56.9	17.1	28.5	10.0	10.5	36.2	159.2	46.6
June Qr.	58.2	15.7	35.8	9.6	10.9	36.9	167.1	48.4
Sept. Qr.	59.8	15.4	33.0	10.9	12.9	38.7	170.7	48.2
Dec. Qr.	62.9	18.1	40.8	13.1	14.6	45.4	194.9	53.0
1959 -								
March Qr.	61.3	18.4	28.9	10.5	11.2	36.8	167.1	47.3
June Qr.	61.6	16.2	36.9	10.8	11.3	39.4	176.2	49.6
Sept. Qr.	62.9	16.2	34.6	11.1	12.0	41.3	178.1	54.7

(a) Includes groceries, butchers' meat, fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread.

(b) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. timber, roofing tiles, bricks, etc.).

(c) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc.

(d) Includes furniture, tobacco, newspapers, books and stationery, chemists' goods, grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, etc.

(e) Excludes farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, etc.

NOTE : All figures from September, 1957, are subject to revision.



VALUE OF OVERSEA TRADE : VICTORIA AND AUSTRALIA

19.

£'000 f.c.b.

Period	VICTORIA			AUSTRALIA		
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
1949-50	184,257	166,197	- 18,060	538,069	613,697	75,628
1950-51	263,066	265,044	1,978	743,871	981,796	237,925
1951-52	363,193	185,994	-177,199	1,053,423	675,008	-378,415
1952-53	173,775	228,118	54,343	514,109	871,272	357,163
1953-54	237,683	203,581	- 34,102	681,609	828,332	146,723
1954-55	297,494	216,572	- 80,922	843,742	774,164	- 69,578
1955-56	299,340	209,396	- 89,944	821,088	781,864	- 39,224
1956-57	254,946	255,752	806	718,991	992,906	273,915
1957-58	282,713	218,373	- 64,340	791,940	817,946	r 26,006
1958-59	291,297	219,551	- 71,746	796,599	811,463	14,864
1956 -						
July	19,247	18,233	- 1,014	57,508	64,762	7,254
Aug.	29,440	12,861	- 16,579	78,855	60,523	- 18,332
Sept.	17,345	10,132	- 7,213	53,916	61,027	7,111
Oct.	20,363	25,190	4,827	57,266	98,123	40,857
Nov.	21,488	21,957	469	59,831	94,247	34,416
Dec.	19,328	22,630	3,302	52,485	77,043	24,558
1957 -						
July	25,437	15,605	- 9,832	71,004	72,608	1,604
Aug.	22,186	13,420	- 8,766	68,283	60,555	- 7,728
Sept.	20,613	16,132	- 4,481	57,062	77,242	20,180
Oct.	26,128	24,962	- 1,166	72,022	94,358	22,336
Nov.	24,012	22,915	- 1,097	64,505	83,045	18,540
Dec.	21,806	20,346	- 1,460	62,037	70,347	8,310
1958 -						
July	21,949	16,256	- 5,693	64,228	61,547	- 2,681
Aug.	28,093	12,708	- 15,385	72,954	47,567	- 25,387
Sept.	21,864	12,438	- 9,426	65,694	56,252	- 9,442
Oct.	24,056	18,627	- 5,429	65,655	75,096	9,441
Nov.	25,754	17,666	- 8,088	67,522	66,354	- 1,168
Dec.	23,974	24,029	55	62,362	76,389	14,027
1959 -						
July	24,778(a)	17,390(a)	- 7,388(a)	70,965(a)	66,686(a)	- 4,279(a)
Aug.	26,915(a)	15,016(a)	- 11,899(a)	71,200(a)	64,258(a)	- 6,942(a)
Sept.	21,914(a)	15,533(a)	- 6,381(a)	64,155(a)	70,099(a)	5,944(a)
Oct.	26,974(a)	21,539(a)	- 5,435(a)	74,717(a)	85,338(a)	10,621(a)
Nov.	26,706(a)	23,217(a)	- 3,489(a)	74,379(a)	88,347(a)	13,968(a)
Dec.	28,628(a)	27,880(a)	- 748(a)	76,146(a)	97,168(a)	21,022(a)

NOTE : Minus sign (-) indicates excess of imports.

(a) Preliminary figures only.

r : Revised.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS (EXCLUDING ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD  
MOTOR SERVICES UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS)

Period	Traffic Train Mileage	No. of Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excl. Livestock)	Live- Stock Carried	Earnings (a)	Working Expenses (b)	Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses
	'000	'000	'000 tons	'000 tons	£'000	£'000	£'000
1949-50	17,500	182,101	8,409	716	20,355	19,983	372
1950-51	14,575	141,313	7,043	496	18,651	20,811	-2,160
1951-52	16,973	165,131	8,574	630	24,186	29,612	-5,426
1952-53	17,690	162,857	8,580	612	31,864	34,008	-2,144
1953-54	18,303	166,106	8,622	579	35,707	35,951	- 244
1954-55	18,740	169,204	9,508	575	37,667	37,032	635
1955-56	18,635	166,708	9,127	480	37,032	38,026	- 994
1956-57	18,544	167,405	8,935	445	37,352	39,118	-1,766
1957-58	18,353	167,662	8,385	507	35,954	38,174	-2,220
1958-59	18,426	163,483	8,840	455	37,907	38,123	- 216
1956 -							
Aug.	1,565	13,529	783	33	3,099	3,288	- 189
Sept.	1,470	14,276	733	35	3,032	3,203	- 171
Oct.	1,613	14,728	775	54	3,353	3,270	83
Nov.	1,538	14,409	688	48	3,151	3,212	- 61
Dec.	1,540	13,636	561	34	2,942	3,027	- 85
1957 -							
Jan.	1,649	12,877	825	39	3,339	3,303	36
Aug.	1,552	13,475	689	31	2,896	3,366	- 470
Sept.	1,489	15,099	637	42	3,008	3,246	- 238
Oct.	1,610	13,928	717	70	3,243	3,389	- 146
Nov.	1,554	13,635	720	67	3,127	3,165	- 38
Dec.	1,566	13,383	601	51	2,929	3,024	- 95
1958 -							
Jan.	1,512	12,593	682	44	3,021	3,252	- 231
Aug.	1,521	13,776	708	29	3,005	3,144	- 139
Sept.	1,506	15,332	676	47	3,154	3,038	116
Oct.	1,587	13,593	729	51	3,351	3,280	71
Nov.	1,481	13,410	624	49	2,980	3,044	- 64
Dec.	1,582	13,098	605	38	3,098	3,323	- 225
1959 -							
Jan.	1,544	11,762	783	40	3,392	3,101	291
Aug.	1,510	14,457	670	32	3,071	3,247	- 176
Sept.	1,546	14,104	726	46	3,347	3,208	139
Oct.	1,623	15,283	740	56	3,249	3,279	- 30
Nov.	1,531	12,761	718	56	3,240	3,123	117
Dec.	1,649	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	3,227	3,356	- 129
1960 -							
Jan.	1,500	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	3,368	3,179	189

NOTE : Minus sign (-) denotes excess of working expenses over earnings.

(a) Excludes grants from Consolidated Revenue.

(b) Including cost of pensions and Pay Roll Tax.

n.a. : Not available.



## CARGO DISCHARGED AND SHIPPED AT VICTORIAN PORTS

21.

'000 tons

Period	CARGO DISCHARGED				CARGO SHIPPED			
	Oversea		Interstate		Oversea		Interstate	
	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment	Weight	Measure- ment
1949-50	2,686	1,309	1,781	238	1,062	458	447	246
1950-51	3,102	1,489	1,868	210	1,250	418	449	239
1951-52	3,093	1,725	2,128	243	1,040	372	444	297
1952-53	2,474	630	2,275	189	1,016	505	404	263
1953-54	2,871	943	2,216	344	856	493	462	423
1954-55	3,938	1,286	2,223	354	1,264	556	883	423
1955-56	4,679	1,306	2,469	369	1,359	550	1,193	372
1956-57	4,665	949	2,412	307	1,467	514	1,164	388
1957-58	4,810	1,032	2,505	339	1,093	541	1,371	365
1958-59	4,923	983	2,740	343	1,618	528	1,110	383
1956 -								
June	386	85	186	34	114	63	91	32
July	361	93	276	16	121	35	62	20
Aug.	350	148	212	25	84	55	91	28
Sept.	297	70	201	23	87	34	72	34
Oct.	487	75	288	39	164	33	117	34
Nov.	430	76	229	29	132	48	107	39
1957 -								
June	312	67	186	16	102	42	50	31
July	474	100	243	22	91	49	135	31
Aug.	416	82	232	16	121	36	75	23
Sept.	372	77	190	24	102	47	116	37
Oct.	370	91	288	23	98	45	137	32
Nov.	371	85	208	30	106	45	123	41
1958 -								
June	361	99	242	29	98	60	139	27
July	482	63	219	19	82	49	109	29
Aug.	394	110	223	15	108	40	91	29
Sept.	367	73	263	31	84	50	134	18
Oct.	439	91	212	37	99	42	63	45
Nov.	382	88	215	45	156	39	76	41
1959 -								
June	454	79	310	23	154	49	71	32
July	409	94	277	32	130	42	132	46
Aug.	471	108	231	35	91	48	105	36
Sept.	427	77	232	35	118	39	122	33
Oct.	473	94	253	39	98	52	120	52
Nov.	422	100	210	61	159	38	99	51

## REGISTRATION OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES (a) : VICTORIA

Period	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities	Panel Vans	Other(b)	Total Other than Motor Cycles	Motor Cycles
1951-52	40,144	966	9,296	2,260	8,323	60,989	n.a.
1952-53	26,377	397	6,618	1,146	3,694	38,232	1,205
1953-54	33,708	671	6,673	1,474	3,652	46,178	2,358
1954-55	46,728	800	8,553	2,586	4,768	63,435	2,363
1955-56	48,496	1,167	8,899	3,414	5,256	67,232	2,244
1956-57	42,701	1,161	7,386	3,001	4,319	58,568	1,963
1957-58	45,948	3,897	7,592	3,954	3,962	65,353	2,142
1958-59	45,058	7,868	7,114	5,201	4,421	69,662	2,280
1956 -							
Sept.	3,496	72	496	273	371	4,708	127
Oct.	3,773	87	612	296	433	5,201	175
Nov.	3,933	79	712	347	406	5,477	171
Dec.	3,704	83	599	271	315	4,972	157
1957 -							
Jan.	3,280	78	484	154	309	4,305	174
Feb.	3,072	83	299	174	279	3,907	175
Sept.	3,651	198	569	278	278	4,974	158
Oct.	4,510	216	696	373	362	6,157	170
Nov.	4,237	256	655	365	342	5,855	214
Dec.	4,171	288	684	371	368	5,882	185
1958 -							
Jan.	3,479	212	590	266	275	4,822	226
Feb.	3,339	258	535	311	347	4,790	199
Sept.	3,663	582	538	386	314	5,483	265
Oct.	4,231	630	628	468	443	6,400	229
Nov.	4,234	622	625	442	388	6,311	187
Dec.	4,113	619	667	485	382	6,266	221
1959 -							
Jan.	3,425	529	573	328	323	5,178	177
Feb.	3,391	603	465	397	344	5,200	186
Sept.	4,363	1,055	229	606	387	6,640	168
Oct.	5,426	1,287	685	555	469	8,422	184
Nov.	5,220	901	579	486	356	7,542	167
Dec.	6,090	1,161	772	492	447	8,962	229
1960 -							
Jan.	3,752	715	516	252	309	5,544	183
Feb.	4,514	1,173	507	316	399	6,909	239

NOTE : Between 1st February, 1955 and 30th June, 1959 figures include extra-metropolitan registrations for month prior to that indicated.

(a) Excludes Defence service vehicles, but includes other Commonwealth-owned vehicles.

(b) Includes trucks, omnibuses, etc.



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ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS : VICTORIA  
ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CASUALTIES AS REPORTED BY THE POLICE

Period	City of Melbourne (a)			Metropolitan Area excluding City of Melbourne		
	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured
1949-50	1,343	49	1,539	4,298	165	5,000
1950-51	1,253	54	1,392	4,523	222	5,191
1951-52	1,373	49	1,602	4,955	214	5,750
1952-53	1,310	42	1,525	4,740	173	5,579
1953-54	1,142	38	1,326	4,971	186	5,917
1954-55	1,108	38	1,282	5,110	203	6,035
1955-56	1,075	26	1,225	5,248	192	6,307
1956-57	1,074	25	1,287	5,398	205	6,621
1957-58	1,098	29	1,314	5,501	187	6,881
1958-59	1,021	41	1,229	6,967	240	8,799
1958 -						
March Qr.	264	6	327	1,374	43	1,717
June Qr.	280	7	330	1,445	47	1,782
Sept. Qr.	253	15	298	1,726	64	2,139
Dec. Qr.	240	5	293	1,736	55	2,170
1959 -						
March Qr.	263	11	318	1,629	42	2,148
June Qr.	265	10	320	1,876	79	2,342
Period	Outside Metropolitan Area			Total - Victoria		
	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured	Accidents Involving Casualties	No. of Persons Killed	No. of Persons Injured
1949-50	2,977	287	3,999	8,618	501	10,538
1950-51	3,498	305	4,781	9,274	581	11,364
1951-52	3,783	340	5,179	10,111	603	12,531
1952-53	4,048	300	5,460	10,098	515	12,564
1953-54	4,424	345	6,108	10,537	569	13,351
1954-55	3,999	287	5,516	10,217	528	12,833
1955-56	4,283	364	5,951	10,606	582	13,483
1956-57	4,332	359	6,212	10,804	589	14,120
1957-58	4,634	355	6,820	11,233	571	15,015
1958-59	4,474	380	6,756	12,462	661	16,784
1958 -						
March Qr.	1,116	81	1,665	2,754	130	3,709
June Qr.	1,173	99	1,732	2,898	153	3,844
Sept. Qr.	1,097	85	1,641	3,076	164	4,078
Dec. Qr.	1,054	89	1,630	3,030	149	4,093
1959 -						
March Qr.	1,177	115	1,829	3,069	168	4,295
June Qr.	1,146	91	1,656	3,287	180	4,318

(a) Municipality of Melbourne.

LIFE ASSURANCE : VICTORIA  
NEW POLICIES ISSUED AND POLICIES MATURED OR OTHERWISE  
DISCONTINUED (EXCLUDING ANNUITIES)

Period	New Policies Issued				Policies Matured (a)			
	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Ordinary Department		Industrial Department	
	Number	Sum Assured £'000	Number	Sum Assured £'000	Number	Sum Assured £'000	Number	Sum Assured £'000
1949-50	73,129	47,343	93,603	9,312	28,859	14,442	69,716	4,602
1950-51	79,383	57,935	81,840	8,645	34,032	16,868	66,807	4,642
1951-52	85,012	71,292	82,349	9,747	33,800	19,921	71,841	5,008
1952-53	82,749	67,812	82,851	10,306	35,506	22,069	78,999	5,752
1953-54	80,720	73,336	70,876	9,399	42,399	28,545	81,985	6,293
1954-55	75,958	90,370	62,569	9,145	42,950	28,729	85,495	6,621
1955-56	81,240	104,646	57,860	9,020	46,090	38,693	86,939	7,094
1956-57	80,963	124,034	57,358	9,009	48,526	35,968	85,866	7,510
1957-58	83,699	155,042	56,678	9,247	52,379	47,589	87,250	7,500
1958-59	87,351	163,523	52,053	9,007	53,009	52,115	83,752	7,868
1956 -								
July	6,820	10,920	5,574	883	4,381	3,191	8,543	698
Aug.	7,597	9,923	5,629	875	4,414	3,257	8,188	661
Sept.	9,322	12,387	5,893	921	4,951	1,844	7,383	507
Oct.	6,248	9,204	4,544	706	4,123	3,355	7,401	688
Nov.	6,038	8,602	5,283	800	3,551	2,826	7,371	646
Dec.	7,701	14,517	4,120	719	3,785	3,058	4,772	551
1957 -								
July	8,357	18,660	6,158	979	5,056	4,118	8,952	721
Aug.	8,291	13,060	5,779	913	4,578	3,946	8,247	639
Sept.	8,951	13,183	5,911	946	4,659	4,200	7,613	543
Oct.	6,771	12,344	5,127	824	4,256	3,756	7,222	635
Nov.	6,873	16,809	4,919	791	4,075	4,128	7,389	672
Dec.	7,363	16,005	4,272	808	4,127	4,882	7,056	573
1958 -								
July	8,410	13,797	4,937	821	4,744	4,040	6,668	563
Aug.	7,832	12,361	4,534	788	4,585	4,264	7,121	584
Sept.	8,821	19,635	5,836	971	4,071	4,211	7,111	615
Oct.	6,818	12,468	4,505	772	4,538	4,274	7,469	683
Nov.	6,630	11,874	4,579	787	4,017	4,017	7,330	690
Dec.	7,954	20,655	3,535	698	4,299	4,792	7,848	682
1959 -								
July	8,478	17,960	4,278	760	5,094	4,615	7,444	673
Aug.	8,937	17,524	5,443	966	4,975	5,349	8,374	752
Sept.	12,439	20,673	4,811	860	7,120	6,195	5,978	481
Oct.	7,828	15,955	4,961	898	3,999	4,480	7,826	736
Nov.	8,731	16,478	4,492	789	4,470	5,400	7,404	758
Dec.	10,149	40,376	4,076	832	6,026	6,787	5,781	617

(a) Includes policies which became due for payment on account of death or maturity, policies surrendered and policies discontinued for other causes.



LIFE ASSURANCE : VICTORIA

25.

NEW LOANS GRANTED BY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANIES

(EXCLUDING ADVANCES OF PREMIUMS)

£'000

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	Other	Total
1949-50	11,764	627	32	12,423
1950-51	13,187	763	1,111	15,061
1951-52	12,796	1,115	1,959	15,870
1952-53	6,362	1,108	1,427	8,897
1953-54	8,989	930	866	10,785
1954-55	12,781	1,108	674	14,563
1955-56	14,966	1,557	1,196	17,719
1956-57	15,859	1,690	1,997	19,546
1957-58	14,773	1,820	760	17,353
1958-59	16,525	2,189	622	19,336
1956 -				
July	2,261	151	12	2,424
Aug.	1,323	176	54	1,553
Sept.	1,620	136	14	1,770
Oct.	1,175	149	206	1,530
Nov.	1,290	124	1,401	2,815
Dec.	1,802	137	1	1,940
1957 -				
July	1,350	154	11	1,515
Aug.	1,372	147	26	1,545
Sept.	1,571	132	3	1,706
Oct.	1,123	170	261	1,554
Nov.	1,442	162	71	1,675
Dec.	1,340	145	121	1,606
1958 -				
July	1,198	185	30	1,413
Aug.	1,005	190	48	1,243
Sept.	1,388	169	54	1,611
Oct.	1,834	189	58	2,081
Nov.	1,435	174	40	1,649
Dec.	1,755	183	12	1,950
1959 -				
July	1,080	222	282	1,584
Aug.	1,245	195	66	1,506
Sept.	1,464	216	67	1,747
Oct.	1,551	212	117	1,880
Nov.	1,796	194	60	2,050
Dec.	2,093	193	74	2,360

## POST OFFICE REVENUE (a) : VICTORIA

£'000

Period	Commission on Money Orders and Poundage on Postal Notes	Tele- graphs	Tele- phones	Postage, Private Boxes, Bags, etc.	Miscell- aneous	Total
1956-57	238.8	1,508.0	15,213.8	8,391.0	707.8	26,059.4
1957-58	246.4	1,471.0	16,239.8	8,794.7	898.0	27,649.9
1958-59	255.4	1,538.7	17,539.8	9,327.1	1,001.1	29,662.1
1958 -						
Jan.	19.8	120.5	1,607.9	777.5	35.1	2,560.8
Feb.	13.8	117.3	1,438.7	629.2	79.1	2,278.1
Mar.	19.6	115.3	1,439.0	649.0	89.1	2,312.0
1959 -						
Jan.	19.3	138.9	1,360.5	583.1	144.0	2,245.8
Feb.	19.6	151.3	1,490.6	645.0	59.8	2,366.3
Mar.	21.1	110.5	1,313.4	693.5	19.0	2,157.5
1960 -						
Jan.	22.1	134.9	1,725.1	1,032.5	54.2	2,968.8
Feb.	24.1	190.3	1,857.1	814.9	41.0	2,927.4
Mar.	27.6	153.0	1,904.7	976.4	139.7	3,201.4

(a) Excludes radio receipts.

## POST OFFICE SERVICES : VICTORIA

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Period	Gross Connections of Telephone Services			Television Viewers' Licences in Force (a)			Broadcast Listeners' Licences in Force (a)
	Metrop.	Country	Total	Metrop.	Country	Total	
1956-57	25.2	11.3	36.5	41.5	3.5	45.0	554.9
1957-58	30.4	12.6	43.0	134.1	13.6	147.7	558.0
1958-59	30.7	14.1	44.8	241.8	28.3	270.1	605.3
1958 -							
Jan.	2.5	1.2	3.7	87.0	8.2	95.2	560.0
Feb.	2.6	1.1	3.7	95.5	9.2	104.7	560.8
Dec.	1.9	1.1	3.0	200.5	21.7	222.2	590.2
1959 -							
Jan.	2.1	0.9	3.0	204.9	22.3	227.2	589.0
Feb.	2.7	1.2	3.9	211.3	23.3	234.6	591.7
Dec.	2.8	1.4	4.2	272.9	35.0	307.9	593.4
1960 -							
Jan.	2.2	1.1	3.3	276.7	36.1	312.8	497.6
Feb.	2.4	1.1	3.5	283.1	37.5	320.6	602.1

(a) At end of period.



RAINFALL IN DISTRICTS : VICTORIA  
(inches)

27.

Period	Mallee	Wimmera	Western	Northern Country	North Central	Central	North East	Gippsland
1911-40(a)	12.49	17.52	27.59	18.09	28.16	28.89	34.81	33.47
1952	15.22	21.87	39.30	21.85	35.56	40.66	46.24	48.71
1953	12.27	19.62	30.40	16.81	28.69	30.75	35.57	35.29
1954	13.41	17.68	25.92	21.22	29.88	30.93	35.58	34.02
1955	17.68	22.44	32.40	26.00	35.99	34.12	49.05	33.86
1956	20.85	24.31	34.02	31.45	41.17	34.29	55.59	44.25
1957	9.67	14.87	26.82	13.55	23.01	24.85	27.32	31.98
1958	15.45	17.65	29.05	21.40	31.57	28.99	37.78	35.42
1959	9.97	15.16	24.46	16.16	26.09	26.53	27.69	33.63
1911-40(b)								
Jan.	0.68	0.74	1.19	1.04	1.37	1.66	1.83	2.49
Feb.	1.02	1.14	1.57	1.27	1.73	1.87	2.01	2.33
March	0.65	0.79	1.59	1.16	1.72	2.22	2.22	2.68
April	0.82	1.18	2.15	1.33	2.12	2.41	2.48	2.74
May	1.23	1.77	2.69	1.68	2.58	2.41	3.05	2.65
June	1.32	1.97	2.89	2.06	3.18	2.67	4.26	3.05
July	1.23	1.97	2.91	1.85	3.02	2.47	3.82	2.86
Aug.	1.24	1.94	3.19	1.84	3.11	2.71	4.03	2.90
Sept.	1.27	2.00	2.97	1.82	2.83	2.78	3.27	2.93
Oct.	1.22	1.51	2.50	1.65	2.52	2.90	3.20	3.25
Nov.	0.86	1.22	2.11	1.13	1.94	2.43	2.23	2.74
Dec.	0.95	1.29	1.83	1.26	2.04	2.36	2.41	2.85
1958 -								
April	0.42	0.39	0.90	0.31	0.66	0.81	1.05	0.65
May	1.47	3.32	5.11	2.81	4.99	4.08	5.61	4.33
June	0.18	0.45	1.63	0.33	0.91	1.27	1.07	2.44
July	1.94	2.82	4.25	2.94	4.09	3.04	6.47	3.35
Aug.	2.63	3.16	4.90	4.56	6.68	4.37	6.46	4.01
Sept.	0.92	1.37	2.57	1.53	2.35	2.64	3.00	3.32
Oct.	3.03	2.89	3.67	2.27	4.53	4.01	5.72	4.61
Nov.	2.12	1.40	2.33	2.29	3.06	2.86	2.55	2.89
Dec.	0.42	0.32	0.88	0.63	1.08	1.91	1.30	3.21
1959 -								
Jan.	1.24	1.03	1.43	0.91	0.97	0.67	0.78	0.94
Feb.	0.81	1.54	2.15	1.19	2.23	1.85	2.68	1.97
March	0.81	1.84	2.73	2.60	3.42	3.33	2.83	2.72
April	0.45	0.86	1.19	1.28	0.91	0.79	3.15	1.64
May	0.44	0.60	0.79	0.52	0.85	1.30	0.77	1.27
June	0.30	0.71	1.84	1.39	2.65	2.28	2.38	4.10
July	0.39	0.63	2.11	0.66	1.93	1.85	1.39	2.54
Aug.	1.02	2.41	3.37	1.40	2.95	2.74	3.58	3.27
Sept.	0.98	1.39	2.20	1.71	3.56	4.32	3.75	5.96
Oct.	2.60	1.67	2.04	2.91	2.42	2.87	3.28	3.56
Nov.	0.32	0.79	0.94	0.56	1.77	1.59	1.54	2.36
Dec.	0.61	1.69	3.67	1.43	2.43	2.94	1.56	3.34
1960 -								
Jan.	2.08	1.26	1.44	1.69	1.56	1.55	2.72	1.24
Feb.	1.44	1.69	2.92	1.08	1.80	2.09	1.11	1.64
Mar.	0.63	1.19	1.65	0.52	0.66	0.64	1.01	1.16

(a) Average rainfall per year over a standard 30 years' period.  
 (b) Average rainfall per month over a standard 30 years' period.

SALES OF WOOL AT AUCTION : VICTORIA

Period	Wool Sold			Amount Realized				Average Price of
	Greasy and Scoured			Mel- bourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat	Total	Greasy
	Mel- bourne	Geelong	Albury and Ballarat					Wool at Auction in Victoria (including Albury)
	thousand bales			£'000				pence per lb.
1949-50	577.0	287.4	127.1	44,023	25,903	9,073	78,999	65.00
1950-51	570.8	279.6	126.9	103,025	55,495	21,347	179,867	150.74
1951-52	576.6	308.6	114.3	46,987	28,194	8,960	84,141	68.65
1952-53	626.2	335.6	131.4	59,334	35,857	11,659	106,850	79.10
1953-54	577.1	306.8	124.0	55,438	32,946	11,370	99,754	82.24
1954-55	617.2	359.3	135.5	53,895	34,137	11,233	99,265	73.37
1955-56	669.5	382.7	142.7	50,538	30,877	10,139	91,554	62.22
1956-57	761.6	442.6	157.2	72,751	45,761	13,890	132,402	79.87
1957-58	679.9	448.5	123.7	51,648	36,649	9,226	97,523	63.82
1958-59	738.9	437.9	148.7	44,970	28,010	8,947	81,927	49.89
1958-59 July-Feb.	450.0	316.9	107.9	26,483	19,788	6,305	52,576	48.55
1959-60 July-Feb.	508.3	342.2	124.6	37,948	27,542	9,176	74,666	61.98
1958 - July	.1	(a)	..	6	..	..	6	10.03
Aug.	40.2	..	..	2,347	..	..	2,347	46.06
Sept.	46.9	..	23.9	2,846	..	1,406	4,252	48.03
Oct.	118.8	77.4	..	6,819	4,802	..	11,621	47.69
Nov.	59.7	48.3	25.4	3,602	3,130	1,502	8,234	50.04
Dec.	59.5	48.5	28.4	3,471	2,977	1,608	8,056	48.02
1959 - Jan.	61.0	44.7	..	3,466	2,695	..	6,161	46.98
Feb.	63.8	98.0	30.2	3,926	6,184	1,789	11,899	50.37
July	.2	(a)	..	8	2	..	10	35.51
Aug.	50.9	..	..	3,929	..	..	3,929	60.91
Sept.	56.8	43.5	26.5	4,324	3,229	1,950	9,503	60.27
Oct.	122.1	51.3	..	9,020	4,262	..	13,282	61.89
Nov.	65.6	51.1	27.6	4,873	4,226	2,045	11,144	62.88
Dec.	65.9	51.5	25.7	4,949	4,260	1,960	11,169	63.17
1960 - Jan.	67.7	48.8	24.4	5,072	3,998	1,796	10,866	62.61
Feb.	79.1	96.0	20.4	5,773	7,565	1,425	14,763	61.49

(a) Less than half the final digit shown.      Source : National Council of Wool Selling Brokers.